HIDDEN TREASURES OF DAME NATURE

Earths Which Command High Prices.

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ECRETED somewhere in the earth-perhaps in the reader's garden-are metals of many kinds, which are called "the rare metals," because so far they

have been found only in trifling quantities. They must be present somewhere lu large quantities, and it is only a case of search and you will find. Altogether there are thirty to forty

of these rare earths which fetch a big price in the market. Many of them are bought merely for museums or scientific experiment; but others are very valuable substances commercially. Uranium, for instance, from which

pure, over £180 per pound. A ton of ten per cent, ore would fetch between £50 and £60.

THE PARENT OF RADIUM.

metal is found in Cornwall pitchblende. How is any one to recognize it when found? That is not an easy matter. But there should be no great difficulty Each responds, of course, to tests peculiar to itself, and one of the tests for a uranium compound is that, when mixed with a little borax and microcosmic salt, and placed in the familiar blowpipe flame, it forms a green head in the inner flame, and a yellow head boy rises in his stirrups for the first in the outer flame, which becomes yellowish-green on cooling.

Thorium, an iron-gray metal, was from £36 to only a few shillings per pound.

LOOK FOR ZIRCONIUM.

'A curious thing in connection with these metals is that the brilliant white incandescent light which they give when mixed is not natural to either of them alone. Either of them separately give a yellowish light of very little power. Cerium has other uses. In medicine it is a cure for hysteria in the development of analine black.

years ago, yet no one has yet had the how it was done.-Leslie's Weekly. fortune to find such a deposit as would make him a millionaire. It is bresent in several strange-named minerals, such as eudiolyte, polymignite, hyacinth, etc. One valuable property of this rare metal is that very intense heat does not destroy it. Hence it is used to make the cylinders of the Drummond light for lighthouses, being made to glow by the tremendous heat of the oxyhydrogen flame. The cylinder remains as good as ever, after months of use. Metallic zirconium is worth about ten shillings per gramme. One ton of it would bring to its owner over half a million of money. But some of the natural compounds of zirconia are splendid gems worth £2 per carat, or £300 per ounce.

Then there is molybdenum, which forms a most remarkable compound with both steel and nickel. Molybdenum nickel-steel cannot be beaten for hardness, and yet at the same time it is exceedingly ductile, and a fine alloy for wire drawing. Large cranks of great strength are made of it, propellor shafts, heavy guns, rifle barrels, boilers for torpedo boats, and armor-piercing shells. It is, or was some time ago, worth £9 per pound weight.

Vanadium, another scarce metal, has also the curious property of hardening steel, and it is much used in armor plate. So small a quantity as one pound, added to 200 pounds of steel. increases its strength from seven tons and a half to thirteen tons per square

inch. SOFT, BUT PRECIOUS.

Thallium, discovered by Sir William Crookes, was up to a very recent date priced at the rate of £31,000 per ton. It than the rose, and its keeping qualities knife. One of its curious properties will never have as much sentiment as is that it makes a mark on paper like a the rose, but it is destined to outstrip lead pencil, which is blue at first, then the rose as a people's flower, if indeed turns yellow, and in a day or two fades

away altogether. A metal whose supply has never yet equalled the demand, although it was discovered nearly two centuries ago-1735-is platinum. Only about four tons and a half was found in the year 1900, chiefly in Russia, and it was sold at the rate of £145,000 per ton. The value of platinum arises from its re-Bistance to heat and acids. It does not melt until a temperature of 3150 degrees Fahrenheit is reached, and is therefore most useful in making chemical apparatus-such as crucibles, foil and wire. New Zealand, New South Wales and British Columbia are good hunting grounds for this treasure.

A few of the other rare elements which are turned to useful account are palladium, iridium, gallium, lithium and menachin or titanium. Lithium, the lightest of all metals

only about half the weight of water). s a well-known cure for gout.

Palladium, about as hard as steel, very valuable in the mechanism of watches, as it does not rust in damp

GALLIUM PAYS BEST OF ALL.

Iridium, an extremely hard, steellances, and as pen points. Some that counts, he called out: "Say, dan! ee to six thousand small grains go I'll go you heads or tails for two lickhe onnce, and one of these is taken ings or none!"

and attached to the pen with silver solder, then split and ground to shape. Iridium is worth about £200,000 per

ton, and palladium about £300,000. Gallium, so soft that it melts in the hand, makes a much better mirror than quicksilver, but as the price is £4,230. 000 per ton, gallium mirrors are rarer than the metal itself.

Besides the foregoing hidden treasures there are many more for which no ise has yet been found, but which are very valuable as scientific curiosities.-Answers.

ROPING STEERS IN ARIZONA: The Rough-Riding Cattle-"Tiers" of the Far West a Revelation.

To those who have seen the Western cowboy only in the sawdust ring of a Wild West show, the gathering of the from new white linen cuttings-never rough-riding steer-tiers of Arizona and New Mexico are a revelation. On his | So carefully is the paper prepared that own pet horse, in his native sunshine even the number of dips into the pulp and dust, hot foot after a mountain made by each workman is registered steer, the "sure-enough" cowboy creates a sensation. He strikes one as being very real, intensely natural, and the shrill yells from the crowded grand stand indicate that he is appreciatedat home. There is not such an exhibit only. The drilling was begun in 1880. of "chaps and taps," gold braid and and stopped six years later because the the magic element radium has been silver mountings, as you see in Madison engineers were unable with their inseparated, is worth, when chemically Square Garden, but there is a whole lot of genuine hard riding. It is "whoop-la" from the jump.

A wild steer is pushed from the chutes at one end of the inclosure. rushed across the line and down the Uranium is very valuable in the field. After him thunders the cowboy manufacture of gun-metal for heavy swinging his riata. When he crosses caunon and armor plate. It gives a the line a flag drops and his time bebeautiful fluorescent green hue to gins. When he has tied his steer his glassware and a nne velvety black to time ends. The man who makes the best time wins the contest. There As every one is aware, this precious are a thousand chances in steer tying -a mean steer, a bad start, a broken rope, a quick turn, seen too late-all these make the contest a "gamble." And yet the best man generally wins. in recognizing many of the rare metals. Theoretically, luck is an impersonal thing; in steer tying the best ropers are generally lucky.

Any man who misses his first throw loses his chance for first place, unless the whole field is unlucky. So it is with one intent eagerness that the cowcast. No use to catch them by the neck or legs-experience has shown Some of the metals used in making that the best hold is the horns-and incaudescent light are thorium and for the horns the cowboy throws. cerium, or, rather, their oxides-thoria Then, as the rope settles, he twitches and ceria. Cerium was discovered a it taut, tosses the slack to one side of century ago (1803), and yet it is still the flying steer and runs his horse rare. It is twice as dear as uranium. past him on the other side. In a moment the steer's head is jerked down. found in 1828. Both are much sought his hind feet gathered up, and he hits for, with the result that the latter has the ground-hard. Like a flash the fallen in price during the last ten years rider runs to his victim. Hopping astride the prostrate steer he plants a knee in the heaving flank and lifts the hind leg into the air. While the steer kicks and struggles the cowboy seizes the tying rope from his waist. knots it about a forefoot and then wraps it about the hind feet. A jerk brings the three feet together. There is a swift tightening of knots and he

throws his hands into the air. "Tied!" After the contest there are impromptu horse races, flag picking, and and seasickness. And it is also used then a general clatter and stampede for town. There, about feed corrals Another very valuable and very rare and saloons, the contests of the day metal used for lighting purposes is are talked over, the winners of bets zirconium. This was discovered 115 stand treat, and the champions tell

Clock Centuries Old.

A clock which, it is telieved, was used in the days of Columbus, has lately come into the possession of Emil Kuehnel, of Manchester, N. H. When it was discovered recently in the garret of a house it was supposed to be of little value. The face is of wood and the figures representing the hours of the day were cut into the wood by a jackknife or some such instrument. The ancient timepiece was given to Chas, Wolf, who, in turn, presented it to Mr. Kuehnel, who had it cleaned up. On the upper part of the Columbus has been carved in the wood. while on the lower part "Anno, 1492," is neatly carved. Two bottles are used as weights. On either side of the clock the queer weights are attached to a cord, which runs over a little wooden cog wheel in the clock. One bottle is heavier than the other, and as the weight carries the other bottle up, the cog wheel over which the cord runs moves two other cog wheels, the hour hand of the clock being attached to one of them.

The Land of Fiowers. The sale of cut roses in the United States amounts to about \$6,000,000 a year: carnations, \$4,000,000; violets, \$700,000, and chrysanthemums-a short season crop-\$700,000. The annual production is estimated at \$100,000,000 each for roses and carnations and \$50,-000,000 for violets. This statement shows the great superiority of the carnation in two important points. It can be produced and sold more cheaply s very soft, and can be cut with a are very much greater. The carnation it has not already done so .- Country

Life in America.

A Nice Sort of Band. The Paris police have just been successful in arresting the chiefs of an association of malefactors calling themselves the "Joyeux Monte en l'Air" band, or the "Happy up in the air band." from their custom of going about Paris on the tops of omnibuses. The chiefs are all young men and bear tattoo marks on their chests representing a dagger set in a branch of laurel leaves. Every member of the association, it is said, took an oath on a dagger, which was handed him for the purpose that within eight days he would "baptize" his dagger by wetting it in the blood of a "burgeois."

A pious citizen has a fifteen-year-old son who does not promise to be exactly a "chip off the old block." Not long ago the father discovered to his sorrow that his boy and several others of the neighborhood had a habit of matching nickels. The wrathful parent led the erring lad to the time-honored attic. where hangs a certain strap. The boy didn't have any agreeable impression ke metal, is used for watch and com- of what was to come, and, on the ss bearings, knife edges of delicate ground that it is only the first plunge



Baldness is much rarer among middle-aged persons in Japan than in Europe and America owing, it is believed, to the Japanese custom of using no head covering as a rule.

The Bank of England notes are made from anything that has been worn. on a dial by machinery.

The deepest hole in the earth is near Ketschau, Germany. It is 5735 feet in depth, and is for geological research struments to go deeper.

One of the most durable woods is sycamore. A statue made from it, now in the Museum of Gizeh, at Cairo, is known to be nearly 6000 years Notwithstanding this great age. old. it is asserted that the wood itself is entirely sound and natural in appear-

Soldiers are despised in China. They belong chiefly to the coolie classes. The German officers engaged some time ago by the Chinese Government found overcome the soldiers' own feelings that they were a lower order of beings than other Chinamen.

Crete pays a bounty c. \$200 a ton for locusts' eggs. Five years ago sixty tons were destroyed in one year, equal to 680,000,000 locusts. It is calculated that locusts annually devastate 8,000,000 acres and destroy half the crop on an area double that size, that is to say, this one insect alone lessens the world's food supply by \$200,000,000

The largest plow in the world is owned by Richard Gird, of San Bernardino County, Cal. This immense agricultural machine stands eighteen feet high and weighs 36,000 pounds. It runs by steam, is provided with twelve twelve-inch plow shares, and if capable of plowing fifty acres of land per day. It consumes from one to one and a half tons of coal per day, and usually travels at the rate of four miles an hour.

As nearly as possible 8000 gallons of fresh water are used in a large battleship daily. About two-thirds of this is taken up by the boilers, and the re mainder is used for drinking, washing, cooking, etc. When the store which she has taken out with her from port has been used up, a vessel has to depend upon her evaporators for further supplies. Every modern warship is fitted with evaporating machinery to distill the salt sea water.

SIGNALING UNDER WATER.

The Cause of the Majority of Shipwrecks About to Be Removed.

The cause of three-fourths of the shipwrecks and loss of life at sea seems about to be removed. It is not risks. a wire or even the air, but the water this time that is used to transmit sound vibrations. For some weeks there has been installed on the steamers of the Metropolitan Company, of Boston, an apparatus which may yet make it possible for the vessel beatwooden face of the clock a profile of | ing about the coast in a storm to know where the rocks and shoals are when the fog will not permit the light to be seem and the noise of the wind drawns the sound of bell-buoy or the siren; for a battleship to know of the approach of a submarine and a fishing smack of the approach of a liner off the banks of Newfoundland.

The apparatus is extremely simple. It amounts to nothing more or less than ringing a bell under water, which the pilot or captain can hear telephonically. Screwed on both sides of the vessel's hull are two receivers, which are connected by wires with the wheel house. These receive the vibrations from the bell hanging in the water on the side of the lightship. The navigator has only to put the earpiece to his ear and ascertain on which side the vibrations are the loader, in order to know the direction of the lighthouse and his own position

in the fog with comparative accuracy. For fishing vessels a ball receiver has been provided and this is used also to get more delicate intonations aboard a steel vessel. The value of the apparatus was put to a good test recently, when the steamer James S. Whitney was approaching the Boston lightship on her return from New York. The lighthouse was obscured by rain and fog. Thanks to the signal apparatus, the captain immediately heard the bell and got his direction. It was not until five minutes after that he heard the lightship's whistle for the first time.-Col-

lier's Weekly.

When one of Mark Twain's daughters was a small miss she gave evidence of unconscious humor that delighted her father. As a reward for being good she was once allowed her first peep at an evening party. Apparently, of the many unfamiliar sights, the decollette gowns of the women impressed her most. She gazed at the wearers long and wonderingly, and then, pulling her mother aside, asked in an awestricken whisper, "Mother, what country did they come from?"

The Polite Germans. We Germans are not only the most polite, but also the most ceremonious people in the world. Without ceremony it is not possible for us to present a friend, to take a seat in a restaurant or to drink or even to utter a single word. Consequently a people ke the British, which ignores and utorly disregards these customs, must appear to us a herd of lubbers .- Frankfurter Zeitung.

A LONG WAR IN SIGHT

Russia Massing Half a Million Soldiers to Fight Japan.

SHE AIMS A CRUSHING BLOW

War Scheme of Vast Extent Being Planned-Armies and Fleets to Move Together With the Idea of Overwhelming the Foe With One Defeat - One Difficulty Removed.

St. Petersburg, Russia.-Exceptionally reliable information regarding the Russian military plans confirms the repeated announcements that these plans will not mature until late in the summer. They are of far greater magnitude than is generally believed abroad, and take into account all possible con-

General Kuropatkin, remembering the experience of Russia, during her war with Turkey, when the Russian army of 30,000 placed in the field at the beginning had to be more than doubled, has insisted that the men and guns to be placed at his disposal shall cover the extreme limit required to settle the fate of the campaign.

The Russian plans are predicated upon Napoleon's dictum that "God fights on the side of the heaviest battalions," and they are being worked out and timed so as to apply to a superiority of numbers on land and sea simultaneously. The army is designed to attain the enormous total of half a million at the time scheduled for the reinforcement of Vice-Admiral Maka-

roff's fleet with the Baltic squadron. The Seventeenth and Tenth Army corps, now drafting, are expected to that their most important task was to reach Manchuria by the middle of June. The mobilization of four other corps, at least two of which will be from the Volga, will be announced by the middle of next month, and will start westward a month later, reaching their destination at the end of August.

Rear-Admiral Rojestvensky will hoist his flag as commander of the formidable Baltic squadron early in July and will sail immediately for Port Arthur with the following vessels: The battleships Slava, Borodino, Orel, Kniaz Souvaroff, Alexander III, and Osliabia the latter now being en route here from Cherbourg: the cruisers Aurora, Dmitri Donskoi, Svietland, Almaz, Jemtchug and Izumrud, and the transports Kamtschatka and Ocean, each carrying 1000 tons of coal. The Temperley conveyers ordered in the United States are expected soon, and they will enable the squadron to coal at sea.

The last possible difficulty regarding the passage of the Suez Canal disap peared last week with the signing of the Anglo-French colonial treaty, by which Great Britain adheres to the convention of 1888 concerning the free passage of the canal.

AIMS CRUSHING BLOW.

Why Resistance is Not Made by Russians at the Yalu.

St. Petersburg .- A high military authority in conversation explains why General Kuropatkin's plan of campaign does not contemplate a heavy resistance to the Japanese advance at the Yalu, saying:

"Either defeat or victory in a battle there would be disadvantageous to us. If we lost we would have to fall back through a difficult country. If we won -and I say to you that Russian strategy is based on the idea of victory and not on that of defeat-success would be fruitless. We could not follow it up without exposing the army to too great

"On account of the Japanese control of the sea if we pursued the enemy into the peninsula of Korea we would open both flanks to a possible attack from the rear. No: the Japanese must come on to a point in the interior. which with this end in view has been selected, where we can follow up a crushing defeat to the bitter end, with blow after blow and seal the fate of the campaign.

"Our plans on sea and land will converge at a time next summer when Vice-Admiral Makaroff's fleet will be relieved by the arrival of reinforcements. Then if successful on land we can clear the sea of the enemy, cut his communications and the Japanese in Korea and Manchuria will be at our

"The world must not be impatient. The prejude to this war is not yet finished."

It is understood here that as the re sult of General Kuropatkin's visit to Newchwang reinforcements of 100,000 men will be sent forward from Liao-

HEINZ FORCES ROUTED.

Carter Faction Triumphs in Montana State Convention.

Helena, Mont.-Delegates to the Chicago Republican National convention were selected here as follows: Congressman Joseph M. Dixon, ex-Senator Lee Mantle, James W. Freeman, ex-Senator Thomas H. Carter, Conrad Kohrs, John S. Edwards. All are members of the Carter-as distinguished from the Heinz ring.

Carter was selected as a delegate to the Chicago National convention by acclamation. The platform heartily endorses the administration of President Roosevelt, and the delegates are instructed to vote for his renomination.

Castellane a Playwright.

Tomsk.

The Marquis de Castellane, father of Count Boni and father-in-law of Anna Gould, has finished a drama in five acts dealing with the Napoleonic period, which will shortly be performed in Paris.

Battle Against Sweatshops. Beach Track Unsatisfactory. The National Consumers' League, First tests of the Virginia-North Carrepresenting sixty organizations and a olina beach as a course for the Intermembership of 10,000, has taken up national Automobile Cup elimination trials proved unsatisfactory. the battle against sweat shops.

War in the Far East. Minor Mention. Ninety-five Japanese prisoners have

A monster oi! well has been struck passed Irkutsk for imprisonment at just south of Upper Sandusky, O. It is claimed that the total cost of The Kerena Government has sent a the British army this year will be thousand troops forward to protect the northeastern frontier from raiders. £140,000,000.

Ore unloading barges on the Lakes The secret records of the Russian will be lower this season because of army in Manchuria have been taken the cut in wages of the shovelers. by the Japanese and now have been brought to Ping-Yang. Thus far all levees on the Mississippi Japan replied to the Russian pronear Memphis, Tenn., have withstood

the floods. test against the bombardment of a quarantine station by saying that the Census bureau reports show that Hague convention did not cover the 254,945 acres of land were under irrigation in New Mexico in 1902

MINOR EVENTS OF THE WEEK

REPUBLICANS IN SESSION

New York City.

Convention Not Instructed But Di-

rected to Work For Roosevelt.

State Convention held in Carnegie Hall

elected the following delegates at large

and alternates to the Republican Na-

tional Convention to be held in Chicago

Delegates at large: Thomas C. Platt,

of Tioga: Chauncey M. Depew, of New York: Benjamin B. Odell, Jr., of Or-

ange: Frank S. Black, of Rensselaer.

Alternates at large: J. Sloat Fassett, of

Erastus C. Knight, of Erie; Henry C.

The convention did not instruct the

velt in the old fashioned manner of the

Republican party since its organization

fifty years ago. The convention plat-

form sends the delegates at large to

Chicago with this injunction, "we here-

by direct that the delegates this day

chosen use all honorable means to

bring about his nomination for Presi-

dent at the National Convention to be

Long before the hour for assembling

the delegates began to straggle in, and

while waiting for the chairman to call

the convention to order the band

The delegates were seated by coun-

ties, placards on tall sticks indicating

the location of the different delegations.

Albany and Schenectady counties had.

the front row centre, the best seats in

the house. The Tioga delegation, with

Senator Platt at the head, sat on the

fourth row at the left. Senator Platt

had the aisle seat and was easily dis-

Colonel George W. Dunn, touched el-

bows with the men from Tioga. Gov-

ernor Odell, who shared the honors of

the convention with Senator Platt, was

with the Orange County men, some dis-

The smallest delegation was from

Yates County, with four members. The

largest was from New York County,

186 members. The New York men oc-

cupied a block of seats in the extreme

rear. The Kings County delegation

At the head of the New York delega-

tion was Charles H. Murray, president

of the County Committee. Mr. Mur-

ray's first lieutenant in the organiza-

tion, William Halpin, executive chair-

man of the committee, sat at the head

of the delegation from the Ninth As-

At the close of rollcall Chairman

Dunn nominated for temporary Chair-

man Senator Depew. He was unani-

mously elected, and James S. Sherman,

Oneida, and John W. Dwight, of Tomp-

kins, were appointed to escort him to

listen. The first burst of applause

came as early in the address he men-

tioned the name of the late Marcus A.

Senator Depew first mentioned the

McKinley. Hearty applause greeted

Roosevelt's name was greeted with en

SPAIN'S PREMIER STABBED.

Anarchist Attacks Him, But He is Not

Wounded Severely.

was attacked and wounded by a would-

while leaving the palace of the Council

A semi-official report of the occur-

rence says the assailant held concealed

a kitchen knife, with which he stabbed

the Premier, but the force of the blow

was broken and its direction diverted

by the heavy lace on the Minister's

coat. It resulted in only a slight

A doctor attached to King Alfonso's

suite examined the Premier and pre-

scribed a few hours' rest. His Maj-

esty sent a messenger to inquire con-

cerning the attack and as to the Prime

Joaquin Miguel Artao, the assailant,

was employed as a domestic. He is an

Anarchist, and when arrested attempt

ed suicide by dashing his head against

According to another account the

Premier coolly drew the knife from his

clothing and threw it on a seat in his

carriage, after which he entered the

to Minister of the Interior Guerra at

Madrid, saying: "I have been stabbed.

Don't be alarmed. The wound is not

Captain Hobson Beaten.

Captain Richard Pearson Hobson

was not successful in his contest for

the Democratic nomination for Con-

gress from the Sixth District, Birming-

ham, Ala. Congressman John Holis

Bankhead has a majority over Captain

Sight of Whipping Fatal.

Southern Insane Asylum at Princeton,

Ind. She lost her reason after witness-

ing the whipping of about thirty of her

school children by the Superintendent

of Schools, the Rev. Mr. Leslie, of

An Educational Donation.

The trustees of Atlanta University.

Atlanta, Ga., have formally accepted

from Mr. Thomas Minns, surviving ex-

ecutor of the estate of the late Robert

C. Billings of Boston, the sum of \$2000

appropriated from the residuary estate

Owensville, her home.

of Mr. Billings

Miss Bertha Montgomery died in the

Hobson of about 500 votes only.

be assassin, armed with a

scratch under the sixth rib.

Minister's condition.

the wall.

serious.'

Barcelona, Spain. - Premier Maura

As Senator Depew began to speak

sembly District.

thusiastic cheers.

General.

had the section just in front of New

tance back on the centre aisle.

Brewster, of Monroe.

held in June."

played lively airs.

tinguished.

June 21:

Empire State Convention Held in WASHINGTON ITEMS. The House Committee on Naval Affairs authorized a favorable Peport on the Lacy bill to restore three former midshipmen at the Naval Academy to The Delegates at Large to the National their class. 'The three--J. D. Little Ohio; E. W. Chaffee, of Iowa, and John H. Laffland, of Michigan-were dismissed several months ago for hazing. New York City. - The Republican Mrs. Roosevelt, wife of the Presi-

dent, has gone to Groton, Mass., to visit her sons, at school there. Postmaster General Payne left on the revenue cutter Onondaga for a

trip to Galveston, Tex. It is the present intention of Secretary Hay not to sign an arbitration treaty with France or any other country, as the Administration thinks that the Senate would not ratify such a

treaty. Chemung: Louis Stern, of New York; Mr. Dillingham, from the Committee on Immigration, favorably reported to the Senate a joint resolution authorizing the Commissioner-General of Imdelegates at large for President Roosemigration to establish an information and display bureau at Ellis Island.

OUR ADOPTED ISLANDS.

News has reached Manilla of a fight between General Wood's forces and Moros at Taraca River. The Moros attacked the Americans, and were re-pulsed with great slaughter. Their leaders, however, escaped. The Americans lost two killed and six wounded.,

Major General Leonard G. Wood, with 1500 men, is about to begin a campaign to compel the allegiance of the Sultan of Taraca and to force him to turn over to the American authorities twenty murderers and several stolen rifles. Taraca is on the shore of Lake Lanao, island of Mindanao.

Prince Pu-Lun, nephew of the Emperor of China, who is en route to the United States to represent the Chinese Government at the St. Louis Exposition, arrived at Honolulu on the steamship Gaelle. The Broome delegation, including

The Midway Island cable station at Hawaii is short of food, as the United States transport Buford was unable to land two tons of stores there because of rough seas, and had to carry the supplies on to Manila.

DOMESTIC.

James D. Richie, secretary-treasurer of the miners' local union at Broadhead, Col.; Robert Beverage, president of the Broadhead union, and Librario Vialpando, a Mexican, have been brought from Aguilar by the troops and placed in the county jail. The first two are charged with intimidating men who wished to work. Vialpando, is charged with having shot at a soldier.

The Citizens' Bank of Ponca City, Okla., closed its doors on account of sudden withdrawals of deposits and a to make collections. It is thought by the directors that the bank will be able to pay thirty-three cents on the dollar.

John Healy, one of five men who had held up and robbed two persons, has been shot and fatally wounded by Policeman Wiesen, at Chicago, Ill. The tug Frank Canfield, owned by

the delegates settled themselves to the Cantield Tug Line, Manistee, Mich., ran aground on the outer bar at Point Sable and sunk. Capt. Henry Smith, Engineer Charles Kopfer and Helper Hanna. A few minutes later a like tribute was paid to the name of the late Speaker Thomas B. Reed. William Justmann were lost. The Western Federation of Miners

will bring before Colorado Supreme name of President Roosevelt in connec-Court Gov. Peabody's right to rule by tion with that of the late President martial law. The Iowa Legislature refused a par-

the linking of the names. From that don to Mrs. Sarah Kuhns, sentenced time on every mention of President or life at Anamosa. Iowa. Governor Montague, of Virginia, re-

fused to interfere in the case of Theron H. Brown, defaulting cashier of the Life Insurance Company of Virginia. Missouri, Kansas and Texas flyer No. 5, which left St. Louis for the South,

was wrecked four miles south of Fort Scott, Kan., by the rails spreading. The smoker and chair cars were overturned and badly damaged. Sixteen persons were injured, bar no one was

Authoritative news received at Dallas, Texas, says that in a hurricane in Limestone County six persons were killed and thirteen were injured.

The fierce wind and sncwstorm that has prevailed over the State of South Dakota, east of the Black Hills for thirty-six hours, has resulted in mammoth drifts, which have seriously interrupted railroad and telegraphic communication.

Coley Hayden was shot at the State College baseball park at Lexington, Ky., by Lee Anderson, a student acting as guard.

FOREIGN.

Count Zeppelin has succeeded in securing sufficient funds in Germany to construct another airship to be tested on Lake Constance this summer.

Mrs. Eliza Schaaf, fifty years of age, palace, walked up stairs and telephoned. formerly a prominent advocate of women's rights, committed suicide with a revolver at her home in Charlottenberg, Germany. The cause as-signed for the suicide is that her mind had become clouded.

The strike on the Panama Railroad was brought to an end, most of the laborers returning to work under the old conditions.

The payment by the American to the Cuban Government of \$131,000 on account of the rent of the Guantanamo coaling station is expected in Havana

Manuel Guavesi, for five years at the head of the Yaqui rebels in Sonora, Mexico, was discovered among the prisoners taken by Captain Barron in an engagement with a band of savages near Batomote, and was immediately taken out and shot.

Negotiations are progressing favorably for an Anglo-Russian arbitration treaty, under the auspices of France. Its terms are expected to be published within a fortnight.

The Turco-Bulgarian agreement, the negotiation of which threatened to result in a rupture of diplomatic relations, has been signed at Constantino-

The Pacific Mail Steamship Company's steamship Colon is ashore on Point Remedios, on the coast of Salvador. There has been no loss of life The vessel is believed to be a total loss

A wolf attacked the town of Minsk, Russia, and bit six people before it was killed. Charged with complicity in a \$10,000

robbery four months ago, Lawyer J. A. Bags was arrested at Calgary, N. W. T.

An earthquake in Macedonia destroyed 1500 houses. Twenty-five people lost their lives and forty were wounded.

A dispatch received at the India Office in London said that General Macdonald's infantry, when reconnoitring near Kalapang encountered 306 Tibetans, who opened fire. There were

SUNDAY SCHOOL THE

INTERNATIONAL LESSON COMMENTS FOR MAY 8.

Subject: Watchfulness, Luke xii., 35-48-Golden Text, Luke xii., 37 - Memory

Day's Lesson.

I. The duty of watchfulness (vs. 35-40). 35. "Girded about." "This is an allusion to the long robes of the East, which those who wear must bind up before they engage in any active employment." Jesus wan wear must bind up before they engage in any active employment." Jesus had just admonished them against undue anxiety about temporal affairs (vs. 22-32), and now He gives an admonition to watchfulness. Be active, difigent, determined, ready; let all hindrances be taken out of the way. "Lights burning." The Master was likely to return at any hour of the ready; let all hindrances be taken out of the way. "Lights burning." The Master was likely to return at any hour of the night, and in order to be ready to receive Him their lights must be burning. 36. "From the wedding." The Jewish weddings were conducted with great pomp. The ceremony was usually performed in the night. The festivities lasted from three to seven days. "That when He cometh." As these servants waited, with girded loins and burning lights, already to meet their master and run at his bidding as soon as he approached, so we are to wait for the he approached, so we are to wait for the coming of our Master. Wait (1) with eager longing, and (2) with joyous expectation. "May open; immediately." Few will thus "open immediately." They will have something to do first—will have to the ready.

have something to do first—will have to get ready. They will need time to collect themselves.

37. "Blessed." Those who are ready are blessed and are highly honored by their Master. "When He cometh." Christ will return to all from the heavenly wedding at the end of the world, when He has taken to Himself His bride, the church; to each individual He comes when He stands and suddenly before a man at the hour of en to Himself His bride, the church; to each individual He comes when He stands suddenly before a man at the hour of death. "Shall find watching." We are to watch against temptations from within and without. "Gird himself; serve them." "Whatever we do for God He will do in return for us. It is unusual for masters to wait upon their servants, but "Jesus Christ was among His disciples as one that served." See John 13: 4, 5. This also signifies the joy with which they shall be received into the other world by the Lord Jesus, who has gone before to prepare for them, and has told them that His Father will honor them (John 12: 26). 38. "The second or third watch." The Jesus had adopted the Roman custom of dividing the night into four watches. The first watch was from 6 to 9, the second from 9 to 12, the third from 12 to 3, the fourth from 3 to 6.

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39. "Had known what hour." The householder's ignorance of the time when the thief would come is the reason why he does not watch. He cannot always keep awake, so he has to go to sleep and is robbed. But our ignorance is the reason for wakefulness, because we can keep spiritually awake all through life. The householder watches to prevent, but we to share in that for which the watch is kept. "Would have watched." "In the East the State punishes, but leaves the prevention and detection of theft and robbery to the individual interested. Hence the watchman is necessary and important everyand detection of their and robbery to the individual interested. Hence the watchman is necessary and important everywhere." 40. "Be ye therefore ready." Always ready so he will never be taken unawares. Watchfulness insure readiness; readiness, insures safety. Indifference marks the way to sin and despair. A scriptural preparation includes repentance and conversion. "Cometh; when ye think not." See I Thess. 5: 2; 2 Pet. 3: 10. We should resist the temptation to spiritual drowsiness. Nothing is much worse than a sleepy religion (Rev. 3: 16).

II. The faithful servant rewarded (vs. 41-44). 41. "Peter said." "This apostle was the one who afterward most needed the admonition (Matt. 26: 74), and in so bad a manner forgot it. Those who stand in most danger are often slowest to profit by words of warning." "Unto us, or even to all." Is meant for us as thine apostles,

by words of warning." "Unto us, or even to all." Is meant for us as thine apostles, or for all men?

42. "Faithful and wise steward." The

steward was a middle person between the master and slave, and had the care of the whole household. It was a post of confidence in which faithfulness was required. As the steward to the rest of the servants, As the steward to the rest of the servans, so should the apostles stand with reference to other believers. Faithful comes before wise because the true wisdom of the heart comes from faithfulness. "Shall make ruler." That one would be ruler who had previously proven himself faithful and wise, who attended to his duties during his master's absence with the same fidelity that he did when he was present. "To give; meat." As God's stewards we should

give; meat." As God's stewards we should be ready to give out to others what he places at our disposal.

43. "Blessed." He is blessed in his deed; he rejoices because he is found in the faithful performance of his duties by, his lord, and he is blessed with a high promotion. "Shall find so doing." We see here what Christ means by watching; "not gazing up into the heavens for signs. see here what Christ means by watching; "not gazing up into the heavens for signs, but the faithful performance of duty." 44. "Over all." So each saint owns all of God's possessions, even now (1 Cor. 3: 21, 22). "The reward is both outward and inward; more glories and blessing and joys, and larger capacities for usefulness and enjoyment." To him that hath shall be given.

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III. The profligate servant punished (vs. 45-48). 45. "Say in his heart." If, instead of being faithful, the servant begins to plan wickedness and to actually enter into sin. a different 'portion" will be appointed him upon his Lord's return. "Delayeth His coming." The fact that Christ's coming is delayed causes the love of many to wax cold (2 Pet. 3: 3, 4). "To eat and drink." Self-indulgence is a very common sin. "To be drunken." This was not only a common and terribly destructive sin in Christ's time, but it is the same to-day. 46. "When he looketh not." The Lord will come suddenly and call every one to an account. "In sunder." This was a most terrible method of executing criminals, anciently. "With the unbelievers." Read Rev. 21: 8. This verse shows the inals, atciently. "With the unbelievers."
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awful doom of the ungodly. The worst
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pentant sinner.

47. "Which knew." Either actually, from received information, or, virtually, because the revelation was within reach.

God will hold us accountable not only for God will hold us accountable not only for what we know, but for what we might have known by putting forth a proper effort. "Be beaten." This is a reference to the Jewish custom of beating guilty parties. "Many stripes." Shall be severely and justly punished. Those who have many privileges, who are often warned, who have clear gospel light, and yet do not repent. shall be far more severely punished than others. Exceptional guilt and punishment (Luke 10: 13; James 4: 17; 2 Pet. 2: 21). 48. "That knew not." That knew not fully, for there is no such thing as absolute moral ignorance (Rom. 1: 20; 2: 14. 15). The reference here is to those who had comparatively little knowlthose who had comparatively little knowl-

Giant Locomotive Tried.

edge.

A giant three-cylinder locomotive which it is the intention of the German Govern-ment to exhibit at the St. Louis Exposition, was tested on the military railroad in Berlin in the presence of a large company of civil and military personages. The en-gineer of this locomotive rides on its forward part and communicates with the firemen through a speaking tube. The front and rear cones of the locomotive diminish the resistance. The locomotive alone atthe resistance. The locomotive alone attained a speed of eighty miles an hour, and of sixty-two miles an hour when drawing six vestibule passenger coaches weighing a total of 225 metric tons.

Mountain Disappears.

The story of a guide that Bald Mountain The story of a guide that Baid Mountain disappeared on the night of the New England earthquake has been confirmed. Baid Mountain was in the Tobique Valley, a few miles from the New Brunswick line. At its base were boiling springs and near by an extensive deposit of melted rock and earth all indicating the averages of an extensive deposit of melted rock and earth, all indicating the presence of an ex-tinct volcano. Where Bald Mountain stood is now a large shallow lake, and the theory of the woodsmen is that the subsidence of the mountain was the cause of the

German Railway Casualties. Germany had only about 2000 railway casualties during the year 1903.